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SUBJ: FURTHER DANISH REACTION TO KISSINGER SPEECH

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1. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. OLDENBURG, ACTING NUMBER 2 IN MFA ,
TELEPHONED CHARGE EARLY APRIL 26 TO DENY BERLINGSKE TIDENDE
STORY THAT FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN HAD INDICATED DENMARK TOOK
NEGATIVE STAND ON KISSINGER PROPOSAL. BERLINGSKE REPORTER
EVIDENTLY
MISSED CRUCIAL WORD " NOT" IN ANDERSEN' S COMMENT, SAID OLDENBURG.
HE
DID NOT DENY OTHER PARTS OF BERLINGSKE STORY, WHICH ALSO APPEARED
IN OTHER NEWSPAPERS, QUOTING ANDERSEN THAT DISCUSSION OF ECONOMIC
PROBLEMS WELCOME BUT NOT WITHIN NATO FRAMEWORK. ANDERSEN
REPORTEDLY
ALSO SAID THAT ONLY MILITARY PROBLEMS WILLBE DISCUSSED IN NATO,
AND IN THE NATO WE KNOW. KISSINGER SPEECH IS TO BE DISCUSSED IN
CABINET MEETING APRIL 27, JUST BEFORE GENERAL FOREIGN POLICY DEBATE
IN PARLIAMENT. END
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2. UNCLASSIFIED. EDITORIAL COMMENT CONTINUES TO FOLLOW NORMAL,
WIDELY DIVERGENT PATTERN BUT NAY- SAYERS SOMEWHAT LESS
ANTAGONISTIC.
CONSERVATIVE PAPERS STRESS IMPORTANCE OF U. S. TIES WHILE LEFTISTS
VIEW WITH ALARM POSSIBILITY OF DENMARK BEING DRAGGED ALONG IN WAKE
OF U. S. ADVENTURES IN ASIA. INOTHERWISE CRITICAL THINK- PIECE,
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ERLING BJOL DRAWS USEFUL DISTINCTION BETWEEN TERM " CHARTER" IN KISSINGER SPEECH, AND " TREATY" AND CORRECTLY POINTS OUT THAT MUCH OF INITIAL NEGITAL PARAMETERS; AND 3) ACTUAL ORBITAL PARAMETERS FOLLOWING LAUNCH. IF, AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, U. S. CAN PROVIDE QUOTE BLOCK TIMES UNQUOTE, I. E., DATES AND TIMES AT WHICH SKYLAB WILL ENTER AND LEAVE A DEFINED DANGER ZONE CENTERED ON MUROUROA, THIS WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL. HE EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF SENDING INFORMATION DIRECTLY BY TELEX FROM NASA TO FRENCH COMPUTING CENTER AT CNES.

5. EMBOFF AGREED TRANSMIT ABOVE REQUESTS AND PROVIDED ALLINE BOTH NASA PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT OF SKYLAB LAUNCH ON MAY 14 AND CREW LAUNCH MAY 15, AND SKYLAB NEWS REFERENCE, MARCH 1973. DEPT OR NASA MAY WISH PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION.

6. COMMENT: WHILE PROBING FOR DATES OF FRENCH TESTS, EMBOFF ASKED WHEN NOTAM WOULD BE PUBLISHED. ALLINE COMMENTED THAT FIRST NOTAM, DEFINING DANGER AREA, WAS INCLUDED AMONG A NUMBER OF ROUTINE NOTAM' S CIRCULATED TO CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES AT BEGINNING 1973. HE WAS SMUGLY CONTENT THAT ITS INCLUSION HAS APPARENTLY GONE UNNOTICED IN PRESS AND BY AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND AUTHORTIES.

7. QUAI OFFICIALS WERE EVASIVE IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFF' S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON FRENCH REACTIONS TO AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND DEMARCHES ON TEST CESSATION.

8. DE KERROS COMMENTED PRIVATELY THAT SOVIET ATTACHE YURIY RAKOVSKIY, WHO HAD BEEN SUMMONED EARLIER TO HEAR THE SAME DEMARCHE, DECLINED COMMENT ON FAILURE OF SOYUZ SPACE STATION ANNOUNCED IN APRIL 26 PARIS PRESS.
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